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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CASEY
The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Hostile Presence Issue (C)

We have agreed that the task of reducing the threat posed by the presence in the US of intelligence agents from hostile countries, which was held in abeyance after inconclusive meetings last spring, should again be considered within the SIG(I). Lately a series of related actions have arisen -- the report to Congress on diplomatic reciprocity which was transmitted last month, a statement of Congressional intent to attach a rider to the intelligence authorization bill, and the drafting of guidelines for terms of reference for possible negotiations with the Soviets. It has been difficult to deal with such issues in the absence of an established Administration policy on the hostile presence problem. Therefore, I believe it would be useful for the SIG(I) to deal with the subject soon, perhaps by the end of April, and forward policy options for consideration by the President. (C)

Bob

Robert C. McFarlane

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